

ADVERSITY.

"SWEET ARE THE USES OF ADVERSITY."

The Lesson It Teaches.

Baltimore Sun.

Those who are suffering from adversity are seldom such philosophers that they can see any good in it, but when they have overcome it and look back upon their day of trials they may exclaim with the banished Duke in "As You Like It": "The poetry of 'As You Like It' is singularly beautiful, and its philosophy no less kindly and agreeable. The banished Duke contrasts the freedom and peace attending life in the forest of Arden, notwithstanding its discomforts of hunger and cold, with the painted pomp, the perils and envious of the court and then remarks: "Sweet are the uses of adversity, Which, like the toad, ugly and venomous, Wears yet a jewel in his head."

The jewel which adversity bears to most men is a chastening influence, and is not appreciated until adversity itself has lost its sting. The men who have risen from early poverty, with limited means of education, to greatness look back with pleasure to their early struggles with adversity, for by these struggles they were trained physically, mentally and morally for the labors of their later years. Negative proof of the uses of adversity may be found in the querulous sensitiveness of pampered children of fortune, who have never known a want that was not gratified and have had no experience with real suffering. It may be found also in the aimless, useless lives of young men to whom the path of life has been made so easy that they have never been called upon to make an effort for themselves. "Sweet are the uses of adversity" to those who, having been chastened by it, have learned to sympathize with others, to abandon their selfish schemes to appreciate the simple delights of life easily within their reach, instead of pining for unattainable luxuries. That contentment which is said to be better than wealth is attainable mainly through experience with adversity.

Those who have not suffered from real want become dissatisfied and impatient if crossed in their slightest desire, but the victims of adversity are fortified against all minor ills. No one is likely to deliberately choose poverty and hardship and chastening influence any more than they can be induced to take physical exercise that is distasteful to them for the preservation of their health, but it should be an encouraging thought to those who are now involuntarily suffering from hardships of any kind that hardships have a redeeming quality in that they help to strengthen character and in some cases to improve the disposition. The most kindly people in the world are those who have suffered deeply. If not themselves broken down, they are prepared to sympathize with other victims of adversity. The poor share with each other their little earnings to a degree proportionately greater than the benefactions of the most generous philanthropist who by reason of the magnitude of his gifts is recognized as such. "Sweet are the uses of adversity." It is adversity that makes the poor man so generous in helping a neighbor in distress; it is adversity that so humbles the spirit as to open one's eyes to enjoyments of nature unknown to the attendants at court, whose lives are artificial. The banished Duke in "As You Like It" though he appreciated the uses of adversity, had no objection to returning to court, taking his lessons with him, and so all who suffer from adversity will seek to escape from it, but at the same time they should recognize that it has its uses.

Wine at Parties.

Selected.

Sometimes the girls wonder what they will do when they go into society where wine is not offered. Some will be brave and say "No, I thank you," very quietly and in a ladylike way, or what is better, they will turn down their glasses at first and have it understood. That is what Mrs. Cleveland, the President's wife at Washington, does. We suppose she would like to give her dinner parties without wine too, as Mrs. President Hayes did when she was mistress at the White House. One of the cabinet ladies, Secretary Carlisle's wife, does that now. Not long since she gave a dinner party to President and Mrs. Cleveland, and there was no wine nor liquor on the table. There were two glasses to each plate, one for Potomac water and the other for Apollinaris water. The good time is coming when people will no longer put in any slave, and you girls will be glad to help it along.

Fits Cured

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The Captain states that a vessel entering a Cuban port, will not see many signs of War, except the presence of soldiers on duty in the towns. There were two small gun boats about the size of pilot boats on the watch in the harbor and on the return trip he met a large man of war, and the captain adds, he promptly displayed his flag upon seeing her.

The captain says that he could easily have landed a cargo of arms, at some favorable point before entering the port if he had been engaged in that business. Spain only holds the harbors and a strip along the coast which the iron clads can command and the insurgents occupy the rest of the Island. The sympathy of the people even in the towns is with the insurrection, but they say, "It is better not to talk about the war."

The Captain made a short trip into the country where he saw that the small houses and huts were deserted by their former occupants. For protection they have all fled to the coast towns and little villages where the Spaniards have erected small forts. The cattle looked mean and miserable as they had to be kept in the villages where forage was scanty and even the rebels would occasionally rush in and drive off what they needed.

The plan of war is to drive the Spaniards out and the people have agreed that only in that way can they be gotten rid of.

Captain Peterson thinks war is a very bad thing and says that the condition of affairs down there is very terrible indeed.

What One Man Did.

The Household.

Dr. William Moon, the famous blind philanthropist, who has just died at Brighton, England, lost his sight when he was twenty-one. He at once set about learning the systems of reading for the blind then in vogue; but finding them all imperfect, he invented a new system, which is now widely used in institutions for the blind.

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Fretfulness.

Exchange.

The canker which ruins and disintegrates many a home is nothing more or less than a fretful temper. It is not cruelty, not indifference, but peevishness. It is the multiplication of a thousand needless rules and irritable injunctions. It is the inability to praise, and the readiness to blame. It is the disposition to ignore a virtue, but never forget a fault. The carelessness of a servant or the thoughtlessness of a child, is permitted to cloud the brightness of a day filled with the beneficence of God. A single dish upon a table under done or over-cooked converts all the wine of life to vinegar.

The Boy in Business.

Selected.

"What kind of a boy does a business man want?" replied a shrewd practical man of many concerns, the other day. "Well, I will tell you. In the first place, he wants a boy who doesn't know too much; business men generally like to run their own business, and prefer some one who will listen to their way rather than to try to teach them new tricks; secondly, they want a prompt boy—one who understands seven o'clock as exactly seven, not ten minutes past; third, an industrious boy, who is not afraid to put in a little extra work in case of need; fourth, an honest boy—honest in his service, as well as in the matter of dollars and cents; and fifth, a good-natured boy who will keep his temper even if his employer loses his own now and then?"

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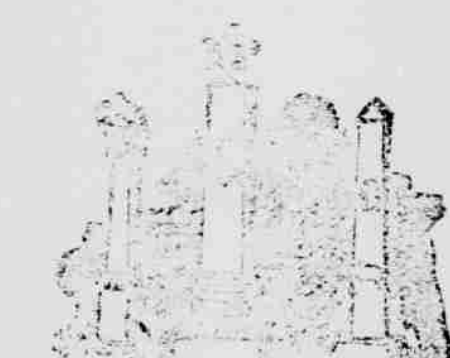
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